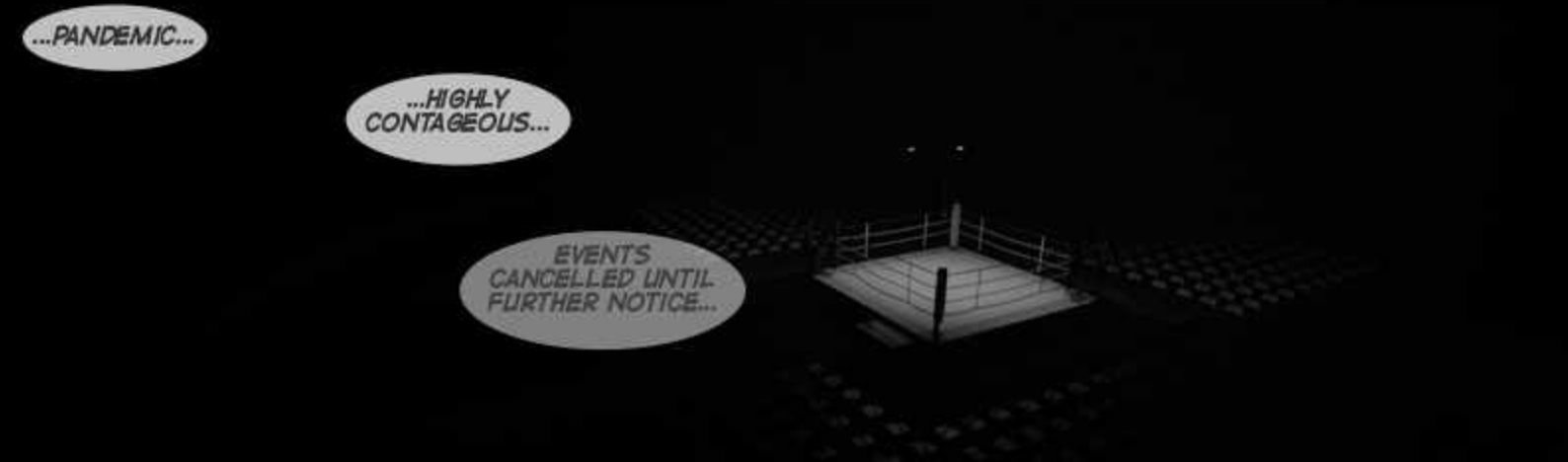
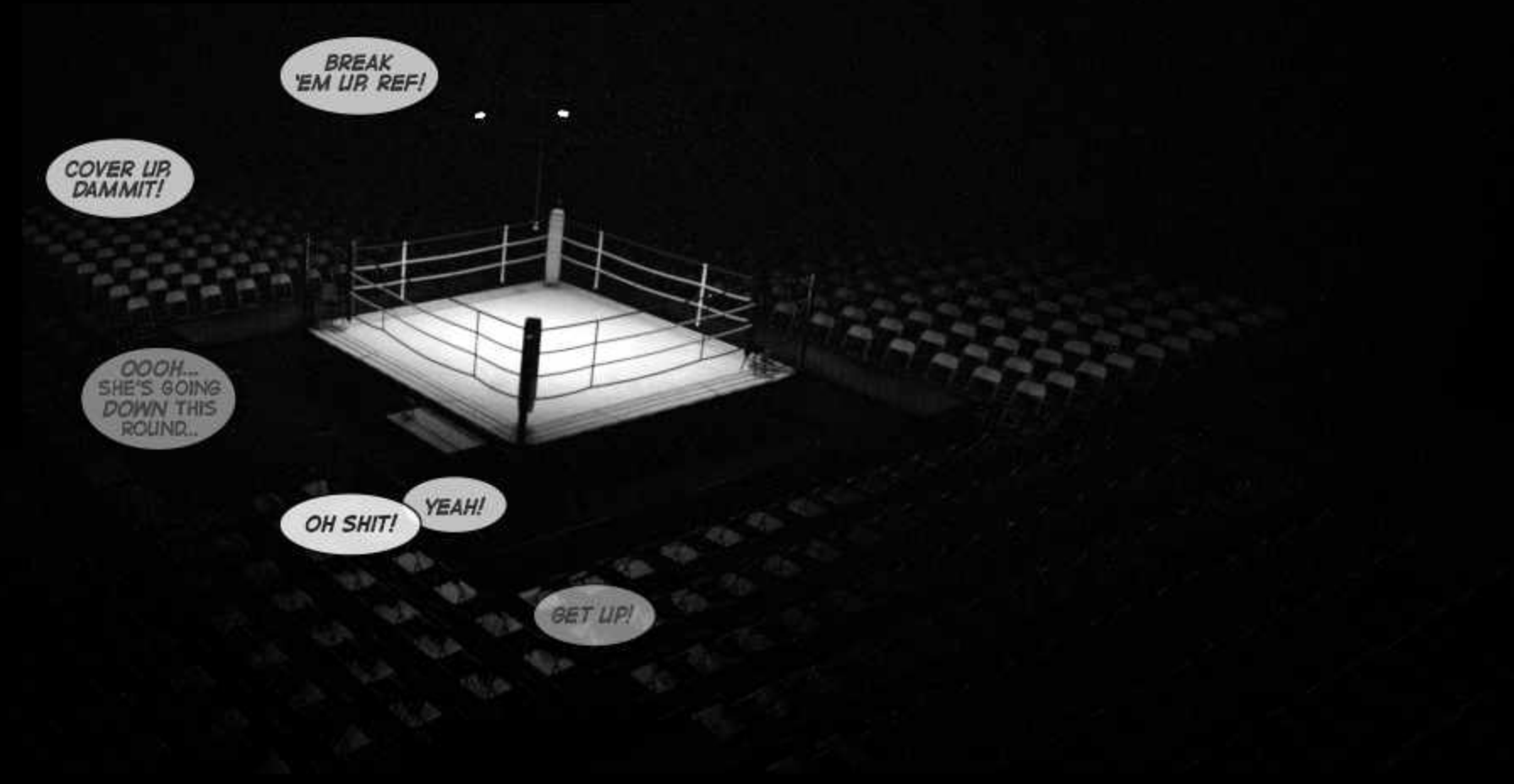




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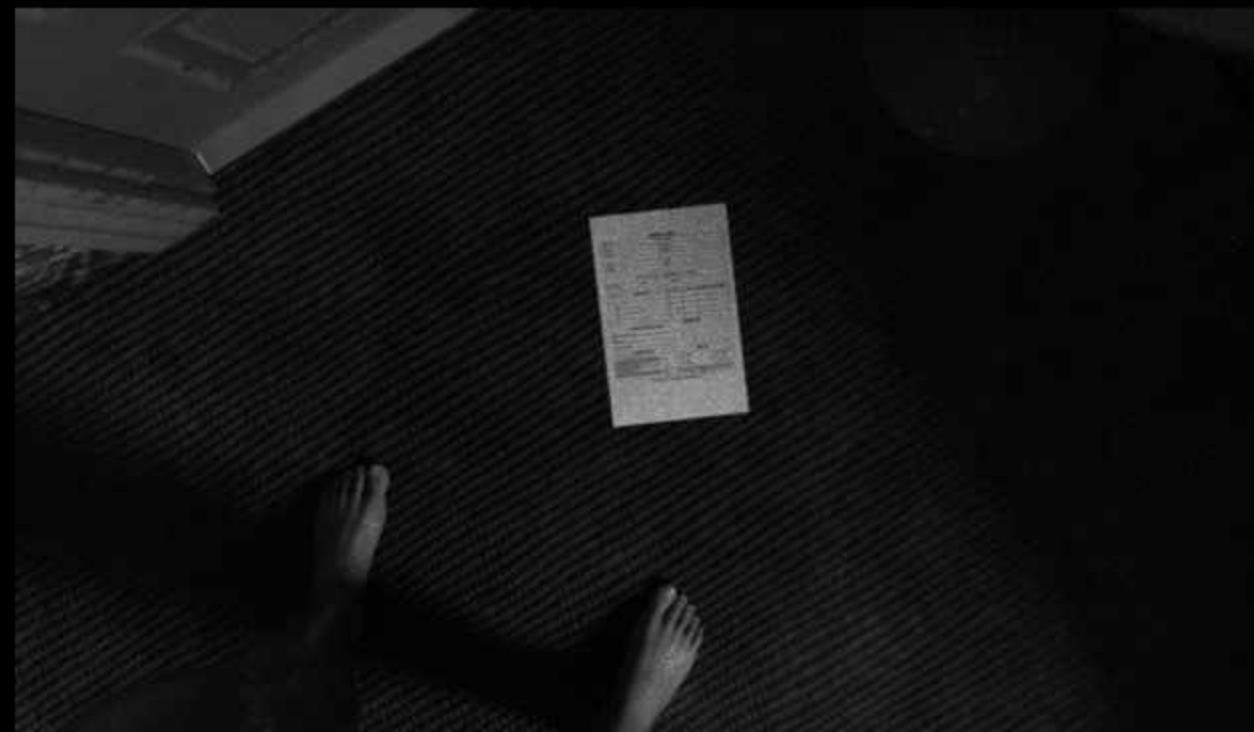
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**FIGHTERS
WANTED**



**WE'LL PAY CASH!
CALL 504-555-1234**



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LATER:



UM... YEAH,
I SAW YOUR FLYER
LOOKING FOR
FIGHTERS...

OH! WELL, IT'S SHORT
NOTICE BUT I DO HAVE A
SPOT OPEN THIS WEEK-
END. OTHERWISE IT'D BE
TWO WEEKS AFTER.

THE SOONER,
THE BETTER.

OKAY... SO...
HAVE YOU EVER
BOXED BEFORE?

I HAD A FEW
AMATEUR FIGHTS
WHILE I WAS IN HIGH
SCHOOL. I'M NOT SURE
IF I COULD FIND MY
PASSBOOK, BUT...

OH SWEETIE, THE FACT THAT
YOU KNOW WHAT A PASS-
BOOK IS PUTS YOU SO
FAR AHEAD OF ANYONE
ELSE WHO'S CALLED ME.



...SO, IF YOU'RE WANT-
ING TO GO THIS WEEK-
END, WE'LL HAVE TO
KINDA DO THE EXPRESS
INTERVIEW, OKAY? CAN
YOU SWITCH TO VIDEO?

UH, SURE.
JUST A SEC...



...SO!
UM, HI.

HI. WHAT'S
YOUR NAME?

BARBARA
COLLINS. BARBIE.

I'M ANGEL.

WHAT'S YOUR
HEIGHT AND
WEIGHT?



FIVE-ELEVEN
AND... I DUNNO,
160? 170
MAYBE?

HMM. OKAY.

TAKE OFF
YOUR SHIRT.





00:00:00

...OKAY FOLKS,
IT'S TIME FOR OUR
THIRD FIGHT OF
THE EVENING...

FIRST:
WE GOT US A
GIRL MAKING HER
PROFESSIONAL
DEBUT...

INTRODUCING...
**"BRUISER"
COLLINS!**





ALRIGHT
Y'ALL, THIS FIGHT'S
SCHEDULED FOR
TEN ROUNDS.

IF IT GOES
TO A DECISION--
(WHICH HONESTLY IT
PROBABLY WON'T)--
MYSELF AND THE TWO
CORNERS WILL ACT
AS JUDGES.



IT SMELLS
LIKE BITCH
IN HERE.



I GAVE YOU
YOUR INSTRUCTIONS
IN THE DRESSING
ROOM...

ANGEL'S INSTRUCTIONS:



OKAY, MAX HAS HEARD THIS BEFORE BUT I LIKE HAVING YOU BOTH IN HERE FOR IT. YOU KNOW I'M TELLING YOU BOTH THE SAME THING THIS WAY.

I'VE GOT A CLEANER WIPING DOWN THE RING RIGHT NOW, THEN WHILE YOU'RE FIGHTING SHE'LL BE WIPING DOWN THE OTHER LOCKER ROOM FOR THE GIRLS WHO'RE FIGHTING AFTER YOU.

SHE NEEDS A GOOD 20 MINUTES FOR EACH JOB, SO TO MAKE SURE THE RING'S EMPTY FOR AS LITTLE AS POSSIBLE, I NEED YOU TWO TO KEEP IT LIGHT FOR THE FIRST FOUR ROUNDS OR SO.



I'M NOT SAYING DON'T THROW PUNCHES, JUST TO KEEP IT TO JABS AND BODY SHOTS TO START OFF. FEEL FREE TO WORK ON WEARING EACH OTHER DOWN FOR LATER.



I'LL BREAK UP CLINCHES IF YOU AREN'T WORKING, BUT I'M NOT BIG ON CALLING FOULS. IF YOU THROW AN ELBOW OR A LOW BLOW, I'LL JUST LET HER GET YOU BACK. AGAIN, TRY TO AVOID THAT THE FIRST FEW ROUNDS.

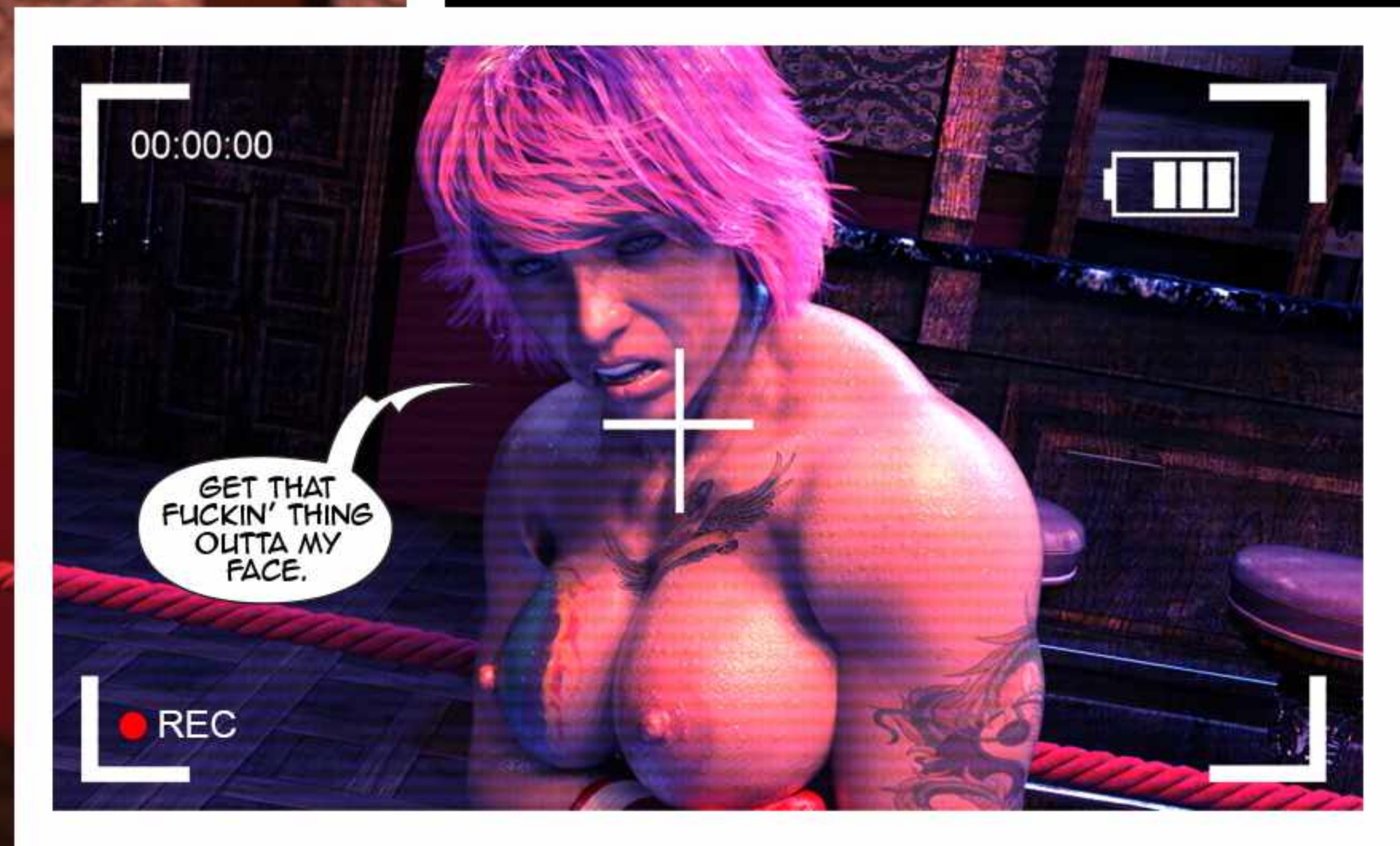
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...ALL BETS ARE OFF.

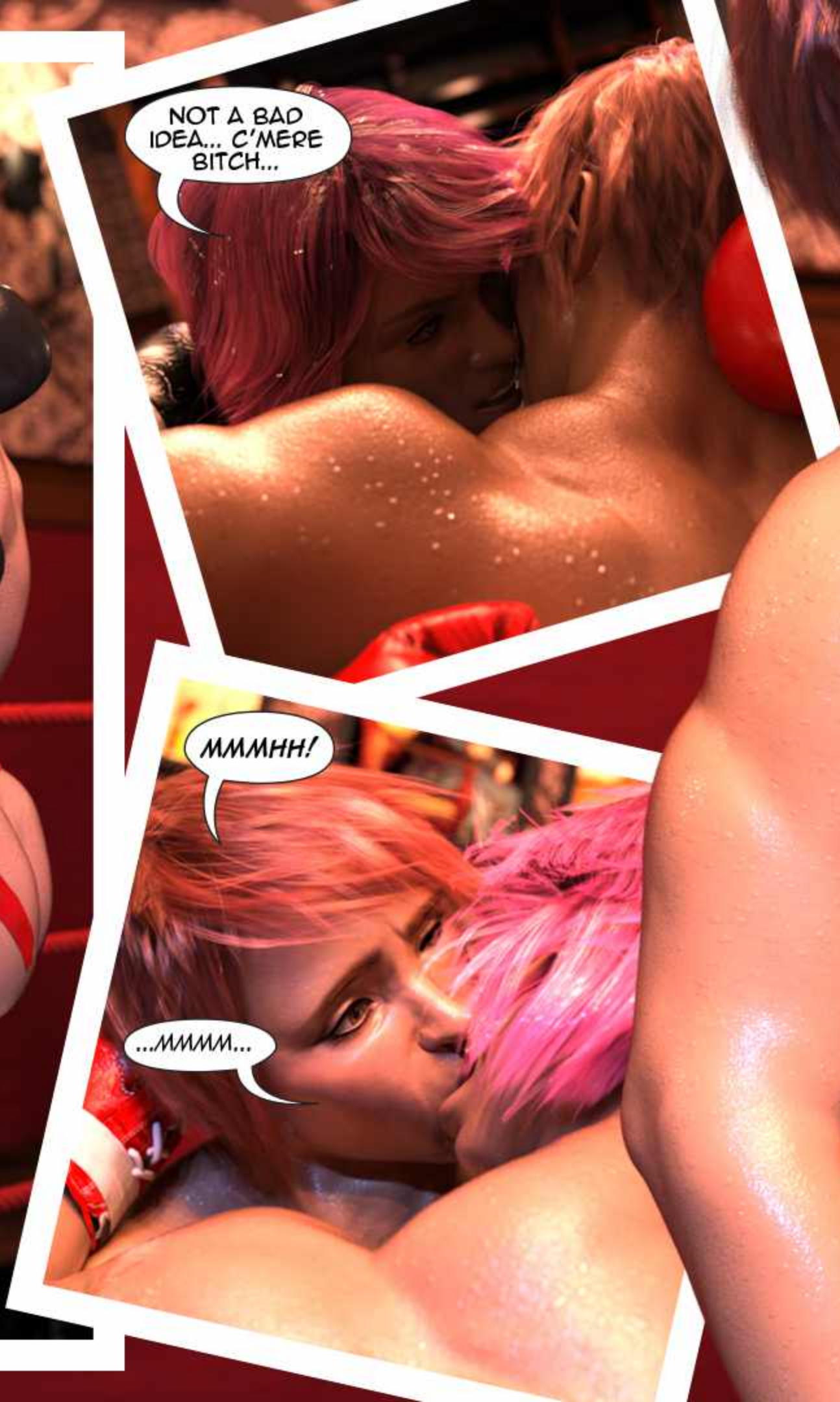
















ROUND 3:



ROUND 4:



HAHH...
HAHH...
HAHH...

ALRIGHT, THIS
IS THE FIFTH: NO
MORE HOLDING BACK!
WHATEVER YOU GOT LEFT,
YOU *THROW* IT AT THAT
BITCH, Y'HEAR?



DON'T REALLY
HAVE A BELL...UM...
**DING! ROUND
FIVE!**



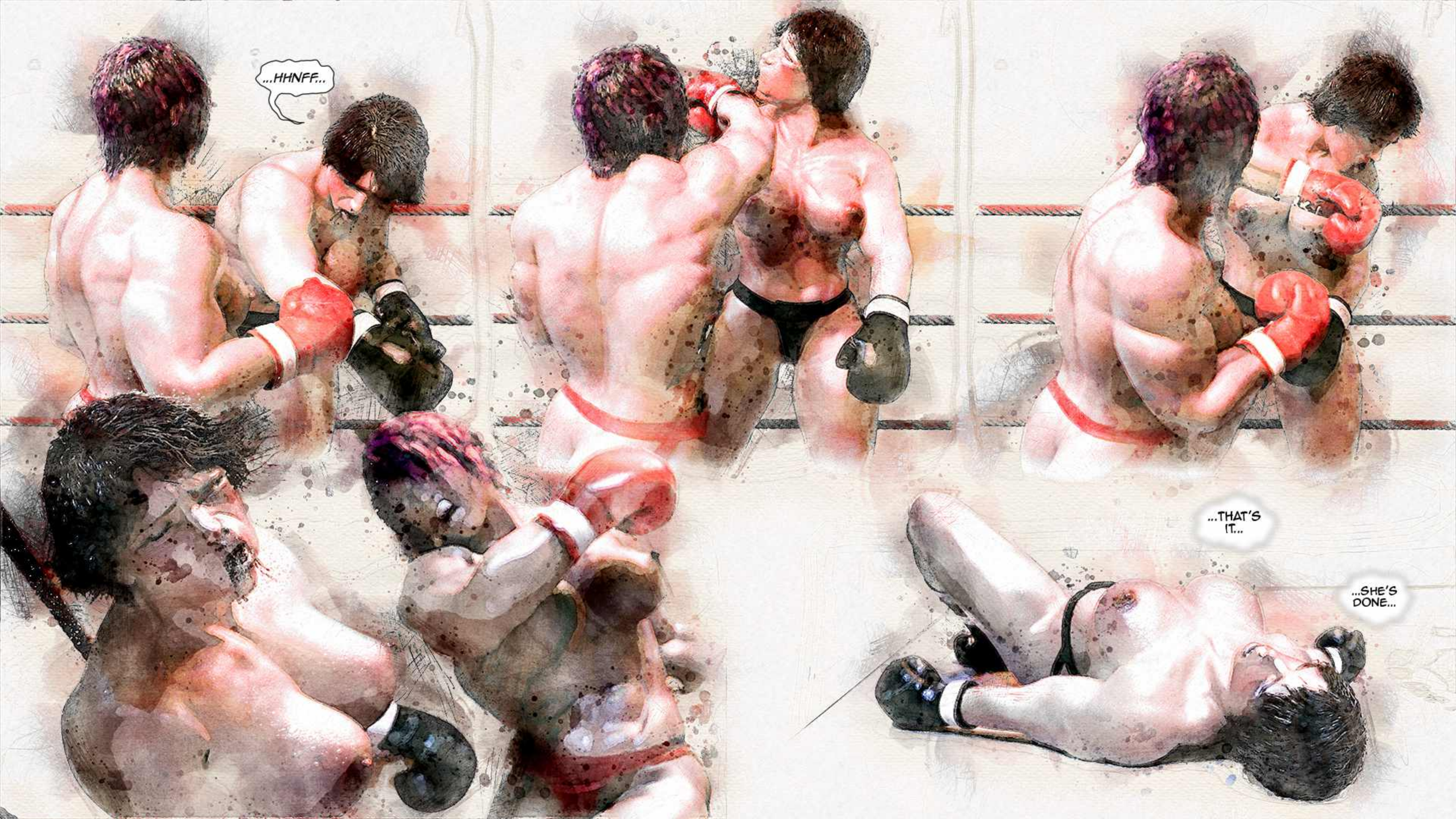






NNNN...
NUH...

HERE I
COME, BIG
GIRL...



...HHNFF...

...THAT'S IT...

...SHE'S DONE...









